

House Study Bill 228

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HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to county liability for adult mental health,
2 mental retardation, developmental disabilities, and substance
3 abuse services authorized through the county central point of
4 coordination process.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
6 TLSB 2518HC 83
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1 1 Section 1. Section 230.1, subsection 3, Code 2009, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:
1 3 3. A county of legal settlement is not liable for costs
1 4 and expenses associated with a person with mental illness
1 5 unless the costs and expenses are for services and other
1 6 support authorized for the person through the central point of
1 7 coordination process. For the purposes of this chapter,
1 8 "central point of coordination process" means the same as
1 9 defined in section 331.440. This required authorization
1 10 through the central point of coordination process of an adult
1 11 person's services and other support provided by a state mental
1 12 health institute or other service provider applies to services
1 13 and other support provided on a voluntary or involuntary basis
1 14 and to services and other support that address substance abuse
1 15 in addition to mental illness.

1 16 EXPLANATION
1 17 This bill relates to county liability for adult mental
1 18 health, mental retardation, developmental disabilities, and
1 19 substance abuse services authorized through the county central
1 20 point of coordination process.
1 21 Under current law in Code section 230.1, relating to the
1 22 liability of the county and state for support of persons with
1 23 mental illness, a county of legal settlement is not liable for
1 24 costs and expenses associated with a person with mental
1 25 illness unless the costs and expenses are for services and
1 26 other support authorized for the person through the central
1 27 point of coordination process. The bill provides that the
1 28 scope of this requirement includes authorization of an adult
1 29 person's services and other support provided by a state mental
1 30 health institute or other service provider, whether or not the
1 31 services and other support address substance abuse in addition
1 32 to mental illness, and whether or not the services and other
1 33 support are provided on a voluntary or involuntary basis.
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